

**567—76.4(455B) Formulation of comments.** Department comments on federal projects will be based upon the views expressed by the interested and affected state agencies, information received at a public hearing, review by the department, and information of other sources which may come to the attention of the department. Determination of the desirability of a project will be based on but not necessarily limited to the following tests:

**76.4(1) Functions.** Whether the functions proposed to be provided throughout the project are justifiable.

**76.4(2) Need.** Whether the project is responsive to water and related resource problems of the area.

**76.4(3) Purpose.** Whether the project as planned will adequately serve the intended purpose.

**76.4(4) Relationship to comprehensive water resource plans.** Whether the proposed project is compatible with regional, state, river basin or local plans.

**76.4(5) Benefits.** Whether the benefits to be derived from the project will exceed the costs and damages of the project.

**76.4(6) Environmental effect.** That the significant environmental effects have been considered.